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SUBJECT: LETTERS TO AUSTRIAN PRESS FROM USSR PRAISING SITUATION
OF SOVIET JEWS

1. VIENNA'S "DIE PRESSE" (INDEPENDENT, MODERATELY
CONSERVATIVE) REPORTED IN MARCH 5 ISSUE IT HAS RECEIVED
"FLOOD" OF LETTERS TO EDITOR FROM SOVIET JEWS FROM FARTHEST
REASHES OF USSR PRAISING SITUATION OF SOVIET JEWS AND
CONDEMNING ACTIONS OF RECENTLY HELD JEWISH CONGRESS IN
BRUSSELS. "DIE PRESSE" REPORT WONDERED FACETIOUSLY
WHETHER CSCE DECISIONS ON FREE EXCHANGES OF INFORMATION
MIGHT HAVE PRODUCED SPURT IN NUMBER OF AUSTRIAN
NEWSPAPERS NOW BEING READ BY SOVIET CITIZENS, AND
NOTED WRYLY THAT SINCE LETTERS MIGHT BE "LOST" IN
ARRIVAL, CARBON COPIES OF ORIGINALS OF LETTERS

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WERE SENT TO BOTH COMMUNIST "VOLKSSTIMME" AND SOVIET
NOVOSTI PRESS AGENCY IN VIENNA, ACCORDING TO ORIGINALS

OF LETTERS.

2. COMMENT:

WE PRESUME THIS HARDLY PRODUCTIVE SOVIET EFFORT VIS-A-VIS
AUSTRIAN PRESS TO COUNTERACT CRITICISM OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN USSR
MAY ALSO BE RELATED TO "PRESS SHOWS" AND LETTER-WRITING CAMPAIGN
OF SOVIET JEWS BEING STAGED ELSEWHERE BY SOVIET GOVERNMENT.
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